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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re United States Continuation Application)
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Applicant(s): Richard A. Mazur et al.) Examiner: Mark J. Beauchaine
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
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Sir:

Prior to examining the subject application, please enter the following amendment to the application as originally filed.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice.

Conclusion

The Applicants believe that the remaining claims (claims 164-261) are in condition for allowance.

If there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated. Applicants believe that there are no fees associated with this Amendment.